tion in the country has remained stagnant and totally outmoded:

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of polytechnics which are extremely ill-equipped, Porly staffed and run in make-shift sheds; and

(d) the remedial steps Government propose to take in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT OF EDUCATION DEPTT OF CULTURE): (KM. SELJA): (a) to (d) Technical Education System in the country has made significant contributions in terms of overal quality improvement and standards. The National policy on education lays adequate emphasis on the Development of Technical Education in the country by of implementing Industry Institute Interaction Continuing Education Quality Improvement Programmes and Rearch and Development Schemes. The Government have launched a project, with the assistance of World Bank amounting to approximatey US £ 517 million to modernise and upgrade over 500 Polytechnics in 16 States and 2 Union Territories in terms of capacity expansion and improvement of quality and efficiency of system.

Implementation of Supreme Court orders regarding Taj Mahal

750. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether effective measures have since been taken to implement Supreme Court orders regarding Taj Mahal; and

(b) if so, the details of the measures taken and what results have been achieved so far?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION AND DEPTT OF CULTURE (KUMARI SELJA): (a) and (b) In order to implement the orders of the Supreme Court, the U. P. Pollution Control Board has issued Public Notices in the news papers and notices to 511 industries in Agra region directing them to confirm that necessary anti pollution measures have been under taken by them.

Research officers in central universities

751. SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the promotional and career advancement rules for Research Officers Working in the Central Universities particuialrly JNU:

(b) if the answer to part (a above be in the negative, whether Government propose to frame such rules ; and

(c) what are the names of Research Officers who continue to stagnate for very long period with details?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT OF EDUCATION AND DEPTT OF CULTURE) (KM. SELJA): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Research Scholar's fellowship by ICSSR

752 SHRI VISHNU KANT SHASTRI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the functioning of the Indian Councilof

social science Research, New Delhi is not satisfactory; if so, what actions are being taken to put the Institute back on the rails to justify its existence;

(b) whether it is a fact that research scholars of the Institute gets only a meagre sum of Rs 1,200 per month which is too less; and

(c) if so, whether there is any proposal to enhance Research Scholars fellowships with details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT)(DEPTT OF EDUCATION AND (DEPTT. OF CULTURE) (KM. SELJA): (a) to (c) The Annual Reports of the Council are laid in the Parliament and the Government has found the ICSSR to be performing its functions satisactorily, ICSSR, as part of its charter, sponsors social science research programmes and administers grants to institutions and individuals for research in social sciences, The Council, therefore, acts as a funding agency for financial assistance to researchers in universities and other reserarch institutes. It has, however no research scholar of its own Under the scheme of Award of Doctoral Fellowships, Doctoral Fellowships are awarded by the Council to those scholars who have cleared the UGC/ CSIR eligibility tests The council Pay @Rs 1800/- per month to a researcher, who is working for PH.D. for the first two years and Rs 2100/- per month for subsequent years with a contingency grant of Rs. 5,000/-per annum, These rates came into effect from April, 1. 1989 and do not include DA, HRA, CCA etc. or any other allowance. The Council has not proposed any increase in rates of fellowship.

Setting up of Golf Courses

753. SHRI B. K. HARIPRASAD Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 580 given in Rajya Sabha on the 30th April, 1993 and state :

(a) whether Bangalore has been identified for development as the Golfars' Haven in India, by virtue of its topogrophical and ecological advantages ; and

(b) whether Government propose to consider setting up of such facilities for the benefit of local golfers who are handicapped for want of course facilities training and equipments as subsidised rates.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MUKUL WASNIK) : (a) Karnataka Golf Association Course, Bangalore has been identified as one of the Courses to be taken up for upgradation through Central Financial Assistance so as to encourage Golf Tourism in India.

(b) No, Sir.

Leakage of Question Papers in Delhi University

754. SHRI KRISHAN KUMAR BIRLA : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether in view of the growing incidents of leakage of papers and other irregularities in the Delhi University examinations, Government have made any indepth inquiry into the entire examination system of the Universitiy ;

(b) if so, what are the details of the findings ; and

(c) what are the corrective measures taken by Government in this regard ?